January 29, 1986

Ted Hubert 1286 Woodland Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Re: Your Request for Informal

Assistance

Our File No. I-86-036

Dear Mr. Hubert:

You have asked for our assistance with regard to the following issue, as stated in your letter.

ISSUE

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RESPONSE

The issue of the <u>legality</u> of the use of campaign funds is governed by Elections Code Sections 12400, <u>et seq.</u>, not by the Political Reform Act. Consequently, your question should be addressed to the Office of the Attorney General, since this agency does not provide advice on matters outside the scope of the Political Reform Act. (Government Code Sections 81000-91015.)

Sincerely,

Robert E Leidigh

Counsel

Legal Division

1287 Woodland Avenue Chico, California 95928

January 27th, 1986

Fair Political Practices Commission P.O. Box 807 Sacramento, California 95804

Attn: Barbara Milman

Dear M's Milman:

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Your help with this problem would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

Ped Hubert.

TH/lh